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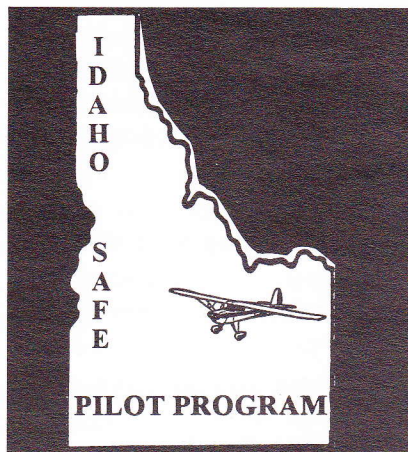
ANNUAL AVIATION CONFERENCES DATES AND LOCATION CHANGE

A major change to the schedule has been made for the Third Annual Idaho Aviation Conference. Shortly after the winter edition of the *Rudder Flutter* had been printed, we were advised that Mr. Phil Boyer, AOPA President, was scheduled to make his first official visit to Idaho in August.

After consulting with Idaho Aviation Association President Johnny Stewart, our co-sponsor organization, we concluded that rescheduling the conference to fit Boyer's schedule would benefit all of our interests.

The conference is now set to begin on Friday morning, August 26th, in Boise at the Convention Centre on the Grove.

This year's convention promises to be a real blockbuster show. We will be able to offer seminars that will meet the new qualifying criteria for the restructured Safe Pilot Program (see Page 3).



Phil Boyer will hold a town hall meeting open to everyone on Saturday afternoon. He will also be the guest speaker at the awards banquet that night.

This is a partial list of the features of this event. You can expect to see some posters at your local FBO and more specific agenda details in the next *Rudder Flutter*.

Vendors, if you are interested in booth space at the conference give us a call at 1-800-468-5865 and we will send you space information.

Make the adjustment for the change on your "things I must do" list today and plan to come to the big wingding on August 26th-29th.

GARDEN VALLEY AIRPORT STILL CLOSED

Just a reminder that the Garden Valley closure is still in effect.

The runway surface was rehabilitated and re-seeded last fall. It will be a couple more months at least before the seed germinates and a stand of grass is established.

Our maintenance crew is currently working on the irrigation system so we will be able to keep the surface irrigated.

We know the temporary closure of this popular recreational airport is an inconvenience to all of you. However, we are requesting your cooperation in our effort to provide a new turf surface at Garden Valley.

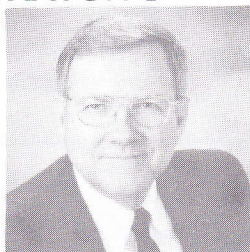
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ADMINISTRATOR'S COLUMN



On the next page of this issue of the *Rudder Flutter* is the outline of the reinstituted "Safe Pilot" Program. I am excited about this because I, like a lot of you I have talked to, remember the old "Safe Pilot" Program with fondness. All of us enjoyed the pins, the banquets and the recognition by our friends that we had completed another year of safe flying operations. It is unfortunate that over the past few years the program became less popular and less meaningful. The purpose for which it was designed was to encourage safe flying which should never grow less popular or meaningful. I hope that our new program can reinvigorate the commitment of Idaho aviators to safe flight.

To that end we have attempted to design a program that will not only recognize your safe operations but will provide tangible information that you can apply in the airplane, a program that will increase your skill and knowledge. I believe that the direction we are going will have a positive effect on aviation safety here in Idaho.

Studies of aircraft accidents conducted over the past 15 to 20 years consistently show a positive correlation between people that are involved in safety programs such as the FAA "Wings" program and AOPA safety pro-

grams and a reduction in aircraft accident rates. Our new program capitalizes on this fact. The Division of Aeronautics will conduct seminars, clinics, and other training sessions throughout the state and throughout the year to provide you with useful information. Our plan is to hold these sessions in your area and at your airport with annual awards given at the end of the sessions. Our thoughts also include grilling hamburgers, hot dogs, etc. at the end of the day.

The advantages of this new program are many. Besides the information that is provided it allows us to come out and visit you where you fly. We get to know you better and you get to meet with us and tell us your likes and dislikes. We are communicating with several insurance companies to secure financial incentives on aviation insurance.

I hope that each of you will participate in this new program.

Our maintenance crews will start on their tours to open airports by the middle of April. The Division has taken over the operation of Atlanta Airport and we will have a crew in there as soon as possible to determine what is needed to keep it in the best condition possible. The opening of Garden Valley will be delayed until about the first of June to allow the grass to get a good start. Also, since we will be sprinkling Garden Valley with above-ground pipes this year you will want to check the runway prior to landing.

The disposition of Cascade Reservoir is still not settled. The Bureau of Reclamation has not reached an agreement with the present holder. As of the time that this article is being written I am told that the Bureau still has not completed their appraisal. I know that this is as distressful to many of you as it is to us. Some of you that are willing might wish to contact the Bureau of Reclamation or write your congressional folks expressing your concerns.

Last year we had very good response to our volunteer maintenance projects throughout the state. We again are asking for your help on these kinds of projects and on workdays at various locations. I am very sorry to have to report that our maintenance supervisor and volunteer coordinator will not be with us this year. Dennis Loosli, whom many of you know and have enjoyed working with, was seriously injured last year and as a result is retiring from state employment. A new supervisor has not been selected yet but will be by the time that the flying season is upon us. **BC**

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IDAHO SAFE PILOT PROGRAM RETURNS

After almost two years of semi-neglect and a certain degree of turmoil, the Idaho Safe Pilot Program is beginning to re-form into a functional process once again.

For those ancient aviators who remember how this program was designed the first time it was launched, you may be in for a bit of a shock to see the revised program.

You may have heard that the reason the old program was considered for termination was due to the low number of pilots participating and the high administrative costs associated with the program.

As we looked back in review of how we were conducting the program it became clear that for the most part, we were providing a purely social function and not accomplishing any safety training to speak of. As a result, we may have shot ourselves in the foot with those pilots who were interested in receiving some level of actual training.

At the urging of our Administrator, the members of the Aeronautics Advisory Board, and many pilots in the state, the effort has been undertaken to revise, revamp, and restructure the program to go boldly where we have not gone before.

Here is what we have in mind:

Some of the new processes will remain very similar to the previous program. You will

still be asked to provide information such as certificate type held, total flying time, etc.. We may not be quite so nosy about your accident or FAR infraction history, as we have it proposed now you will only have to respond about your aviation record for the most recent year.

The meat of the program will be found in the new emphasis on flying and safety training. The qualifying criteria for the annual award will require each pilot to accomplish a minimum of 30 accident/incident free hours during the year, plus attend a block of ground training which is reasonably oriented to flying safety.

The Division of Aeronautics will create a series of courses related to aviation safety, and establish training dates in every state district to offer interested pilots opportunities to accomplish the necessary training. We will also coordinate with the FAA Accident Prevention Specialist in Idaho to conduct training which will qualify for the awards program.

To give you an idea of how the qualifying process may work, this could be a reasonable profile for Joe Pilot, registered Idaho Airman, and how he progresses to achieve the Safe Pilot Award:

During the previous calendar year, Joe logs 45 hours of accident free flying time. This earns 45 points toward the 100 necessary to qualify for the award. In the fall of that same year, he attends a Division of Aeronautics conducted safety training

seminar and receives an additional 60 points for courses in accident cause/prevention, aviation weather, survival, FARs, and density altitude.

The courses reflected in the example are just a sampling of the variety of courses to be offered. We will create a varied menu so that we can go out several times without having to repeat the same curriculum each time.

This is not a program designed only for fixed wing general aviation pilots! We have every intention to develop courses that will embrace the interests of those who fly gliders, helicopters, spray planes or, ultra-lights. We will need help from responsible aviators involved in these kinds of operations. If you want to become a volunteer to help create meaningful training in your area of expertise, please let us know.

There will may be some bugs in this at the outset, but we are prepared to keep fine tuning until we get a program that works. Our interest is in developing a program that will make us all better and safer pilots. That will not be possible unless you are a part of the process. We will see you at the Third Annual Idaho Aviation Conference where we will be able to give you more information about the Safe Pilot Program, and offer the ground training required for the award.

Applications for this program will be sent out with more detailed information in the summer edition of the *Rudder Flutter*.

1994 INTERNATIONAL AVIATION ART CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Students between the ages of 5 and 16 submitted entries in the statewide contest under the theme "Flying Saves Lives".

The 1994 state winners are:

Ages 5-8

1. Sarah Van Fossen - Farmin Elementary School, Sandpoint (photo at right)
2. Andrew Harris - Star Elementary School, Star
3. Aaron Connolly - Centennial Elementary School, Nampa

Ages 9-12

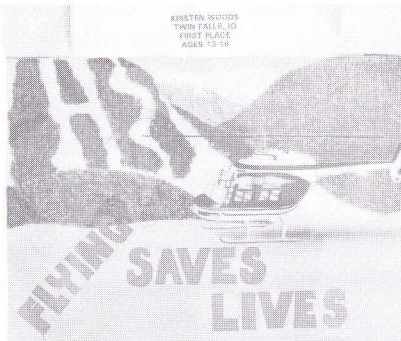
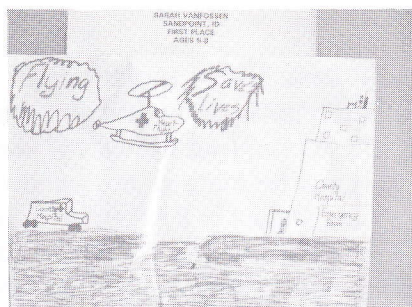
1. Alisha Wolfe - Sagle Elementary School, Sagle (photo at right)
2. Amy Wolfe - Sagle Elementary School, Sagle
3. William McNeal - Hailey Elementary School, Hailey

Ages 13-16

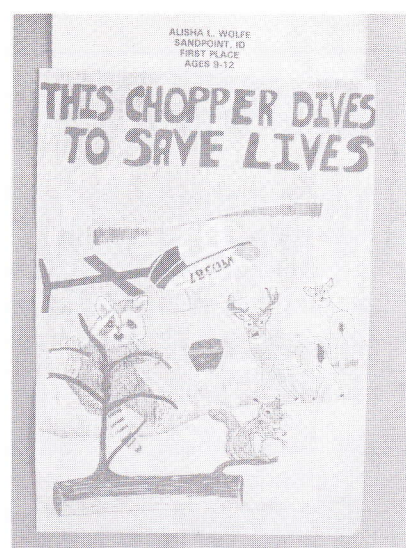
1. Kirsten Woods (photo at right)
 2. Amy Palmer
 3. Casey Sayre
- All from Robert Stuart Junior High School, Twin Falls

The winners in each category received certificates of award and enlarged copies of their pictures awarded by the student's school principal privately or during a school function.

The contest is sponsored by the Idaho Division of Aeronautics, NASAO, NAA, and FAI. 1995's theme to be announced this fall.



Jake Wolfe (right) with Don and Jackie Mason of Oroville, WA and their Avid Flyer.



Weiser News - Mountain View Aviation owner Brad Hart ready and waiting to help Idaho aviation grow.

PARMA AIRPORT- OPEN FOR BUSINESS

The public, flying or otherwise transported, is invited to come visit 5 Star Air at the Parma Airport, in downtown Parma, Idaho of course.

Jake Wolfe, 5 Star Air's owner, has set up shop to offer fuel, minor maintenance and refurbishing for all comers, plus full scale assistance in kit aircraft building to completion.

The doors are open to everyone from ultralight on up. If you need some help fixing your craft, want some fuel, or just want to come in for a cup and a chat about airplanes, try Parma on for size.

BOISE AIRPORT GAINS NEW SERVICE

BobKat Aviation, Inc. announces the opening of a new full service professional flight school, located on the south side of the airport at the Western Aircraft facility.

Owner Bob White, and Chief Instructor Bruce Winn, have training courses that will take you from private certificate through airline transport pilot in single or multi-engine aircraft. Aerobatic training is also offered and simulator training equipment will be added in the near future.

Watch for their open house!



EAGLES GATHER IN POST FALLS

The Idaho Division of Aeronautic's third annual "Gathering of Eagles" shindig was held at Templin's Resort on the river in Post Falls, Saturday, March 12.

The maestro of the microphone, Gene Soper, and guest speaker Jim Prideaux entertained a crowd of nearly 100 aviation enthusiasts during an evening of stories (all true), tales (some true), and the occasional aviation fable (usually a blatant lie that eventually will become legend in Idaho aviation folklore after being repeated a sufficient number of times).

The story told by Jim Prideaux was the highlight of the evening. His adventure as a low time pilot flying a newly finished Avid Flyer from Idaho across the country to Sun 'N Fun in Florida and back again had lessons for all of us.

We appreciate the effort that Gene and so many others put into making these events so enjoyable for so many people. Next year we will plan to get back on the statewide banquet circuit and get everyone to the table to swap stories.



ATTENTION PILOTS

Most of us do not put a lot of time into reading the Idaho Code, but for aviators, there is a very important part in Section 21.114 dealing with the requirement to register Idaho airmen. This is a state law.

The moneys generated from these fees support our Search and Rescue fund. In view of that we all have an interest in the status and health of that fund. Please make sure you stay current with your registrations and inform your pilot friends of their responsibility to do the same.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

26th - 3rd Annual Idaho Aviation Hall of Fame Luncheon & Induction Ceremony - Gowen Field, BOI. Contact Bill Miller, (208) 343-0073.

MAY

7-8th - Central Oregon Air Show, Redmond, OR. (503) 385-0792.

14th - Work parties are scheduled for: Cabin Creek, Henry's Lake, Solider Bar.

21st - Idaho River Brush Pilots Fly-In at Jerome. Spot landings, lunch. Airport Unlimited, a WWII aviation restoration facility, will be open for tours of antique aircraft. Contact EAA, Bill Clark, (208) 853-2566.

26-29th - Challis Mountain Flying Seminar. Contact Bob's Aircraft, (208) 879-2364.

JUNE

16-19th - Challis Mountain Flying Seminar. Contact Bob's Aircraft, (208) 879-2364.

17-19th - 180/185 Club Fly-In at Johnson Creek.

18-19th - Caldwell Air-A-Fair. Contact Caldwell Chamber of Commerce, (208) 459-7493.

18th - Blackfoot Pride Days/Airport Appreciation Day - 7-6:00. Fly-In and Community Breakfast - 7-11:00. Many events and attractions are happening all day long! Contact Max Gibson, (208) 785-2727.

25th - Bear Lake Steak Fry Contact O. B. or Mary Toomer, (208) 847-1374.

25th - USFS maintenance/work party - Graham.

26th - Fairchild AFB Aerospace Day, Spokane, WA. Contact Ron Petersen, (509) 247-5401.

JULY

6-8th - Flight Safety Expo/Fly in - Helena, MT. (406) 444-2506.

6-10th - 25th Annual Northwest EAA Fly-In, Arlington, WA. (206) 435-5857.

8-11th - Quiet Birdmen Fly-In at Johnson Creek.

8-10th - Family Fly-In and Safety Expo, Helena, MT. (406) 444-2506.

15-17th - Mission Aviation Fellowship Fly-In at Johnson Creek.

15-17th - Portland Rose Festival Air Show. Contact Ken Dyan, (503) 227-2681.

16th - USFS maintenance/work party - Cold Meadows.

17-22nd - 3rd Annual ACE Academy at Boise State University and the University of Idaho. Contact John Maakestad, (208) 334-8776 or 1-800-468-5865.

22-24th - Lewis and Clark Air Show, Lewiston Airport. Scheduled to appear - the Canadian Snowbirds! Contact Robin Turner, (208) 746-7962.

29-30th - IAA -T.V. Chapter Fly-In at Johnson Creek. Fly-In Breakfast on the 30th. Contact Bill Miller for more information, (208) 343-0073.

AUGUST

20th - Chamberlain/Big Creek - AMAS Handicapped Fly-In

26-28th - 3rd Annual Idaho Aviation Conference, Boise Centre on the Grove, Boise. Phil Boyer, guest speaker. Watch for upcoming information! Contact ID Div. of Aero., (208) 334-8776 or 1-800-468-5865.

IDAHO ACE ACADEMIES - BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

Deep in the heart of every living soul abides the spirit of adventure. In some, that force is released and for the fortunate few, the opportunity to pursue a career in aviation is realized.

The Third Annual Idaho Aviation Career Education (ACE) Academy continues the process to seek out Idaho's best and brightest students to invite them to spend a week out of their lives to find out what aviation is all about.

By now you may have already heard that the University of Idaho has joined in to host a second academy at their Moscow campus in July. Their affiliation with NASA through the Idaho Space Grant Consortium provides both funding and resource materials to put on a first class program with an emphasis on the future in aerospace.

The greatest result of this for our student population is that we will be able to double the number of students invited to participate. **As an extra added bonus, one student from each campus will be selected to attend NASA's Space Camp in Alabama - all expenses paid.** These awards are made possible by funding to the Consortium from NASA.

**ACE APPLICATIONS
ARE NOW AVAIL-
ABLE!!!**

We are excited about the support we have received for this program from so many volunteers from all parts of the state. The expenses of the academy are growing each year, and we rely on the favorable response of our donors like you to make this a memorable event for Idaho students.

If you would like to get more involved with aviation education please call John Maakestad at 1-800-468-5865 Or (208) 334-8775.

Copies of the ACE Academy application were sent to all Idaho junior high and high school counselors or you can obtain a copy by calling our office at the above number. It's going to be a great year!

NEW RATINGS

PRIVATE:

Jeff Miller
CFI/Examiner-Dave Rodda

John Prescott
CFI/Examiner-Sam Ralston

INSTRUMENT:

Jonathan Barnes
CFI/Examiner-Bruce Winn

MULTI-ENGINE:

Robert White
CFI/Examiner-Bruce Winn

COMMERCIAL/M.E.:

Katherine White
CFI/Examiner-Bruce Winn

CFI:

Sandy Templeton

Congratulations to all!!

AVIATOR FOCUS



Can you identify this shy, well-known Idaho aviator? See "AVIATOR FOCUS" from the AVIATOR'S HISTORICAL FOUNDATION in the next *Rudder Flutter* issue.

SUSAN SCHROEDER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND ESTABLISHED

Idaho aviators have lost a friend, Susan Schroeder. Her untimely death took us all by surprise. She will be missed greatly. A scholarship fund has been established in her memory. Anyone interested in contributing may send their contributions to the: Susan Schroeder Memorial Scholarship Fund, West One Bank, 835 Main Street, Lewiston, ID 83501.

NEW BOOK ON THE BACKCOUNTRY

Recently the Division had the opportunity to review a new book on the backcountry by Idaho author and pilot, Galen Hanselman of Hailey, Idaho. The book is very impressive and the pictures are outstanding. We plan to do an article in the next issue of the *Rudder Flutter* on Galen and his work. Anyone wishing additional information can contact Galen at 1-800-574-9702 or (208) 788-5176.

AERONAUTICS BOARD APPROVES 1995 AIRPORT GRANTS

The Idaho Aeronautics Board approved a list of thirteen state grants to municipal airports for FY 1995 totaling \$300,000. Projects marked with an asterisk provide match for FAA-funded projects; on all others costs will be shared equally by the Division and the local airport authority.

AIRPORT	DESCRIPTION	GRANT AMOUNT
*Twin Falls	Terminal building	\$45,000
*McCall	Apron & taxiway improvements	52,840
*Grangeville	Construct taxiway, relocate seg. circle & road, update Airport Layout Plan	16,910
*Mountain Home	Extend runway 10 & parallel taxiway, improve access road & safety area, expand apron, fence	32,200
*Nampa	Acquire land	14,150
*Rexburg	Site selection, Master Plan Environmental Assessment	7,500
*Caldwell	Master Plan update, land appraisals	14,000
Shoshone Co.	Crack seal, tie-downs	7,500
Bear Lake	Crack seal & seal coat runway, seg. circle, fence, improve parking, remove underground tanks	27,250
Downey	Seal coat	7,330
Bancroft	Runway improvements (Phase I)	5,530
Malad	Rehabilitate pavements	49,790
Various	Inventory restock/small projects	20,000
TOTAL		\$300,000

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The Idaho Aviation Association (IAA)



Just what is the Idaho Aviation Association?

Is it in any way affiliated with the Idaho Division of Aeronautics?

NO! The Idaho Division of Aeronautics has its own job to do, that of caring for Idaho aviation and the airstrips it owns. And it does that very well.

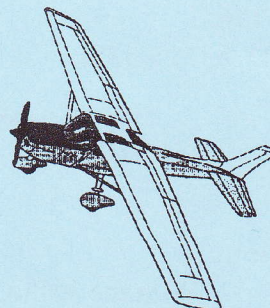
So who gives attention to the rest of the airstrips and aviation-related issues which do not come under the direct purvey of Idaho's Aeronautics Division?

Well, that's where the IAA takes over.

The IAA was formed in 1989 by Idaho pilots who organized to protect Idaho aviation and to provide a means for communication and camaraderie. Since then, the IAA has supported aviation on a number of fronts, including the preservation and negotiation for a number of threatened Idaho backcountry airstrips. IAA has also sponsored fly-ins and supported aviation education and charitable activities.

We need YOU, the pilot reading this flyer, to join us in fighting to preserve the unique aviation experience that Idaho flyers enjoy! But this experience is fragile. We will only be successful if pilots like *you* who care, join with us to defend and hold on to what we have.

Please use the application blank on the back of this letter to join the IAA today. You will immediately begin receiving the FLYLINE, IAA's world-class monthly newsletter. DO IT NOW!



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IDAHO FALLS

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